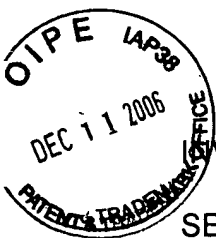


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 20, 2006 in the above-identified application, the Applicant respectfully submits the following.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.